

I am a General Class amateur operator, and I would like to go on record as opposing this Petition. I believe it would convince the manufacturers of amateur equipment to drop out of the market rather than comply. This would require the FCC to be far too involved in the details of equipment design and construction. In addition, being able to "field repair" a radio in an emergency is highly unlikely, because of a lack of parts, even if the radio were "easier" to repair. I just believe this would be a terrible rule for amateur radio.